GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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PURCHASE OF COMPUTERS BY MINISTRY
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per the Department of Expenditure O.M.No.8(4)-E-II(A)/98 dated 17.12.1998, open tender system is to be followed in all cases where the estimated value of purchase is Rs. fifty thousand and above;

(b) whether 168 computers from NCCF despite their rates being higher than the DGS&D and open market of the same brands with similar configuration were purchased by the Ministry;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of models with configuration and prices purchases from the NCCF and Kendriya Bhandar in each of the last three years; and

(e) the steps taken to follow strictly the provisions of rules/regulations on the subject?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJOR GENERAL (R B.C.KHANDURI)

(a) Yes, Sir. However, in the cases of procurement of various items from Kendriya Bhandar, Super Bazar and NCCF, the procedure regarding calling of tenders for purchase has been waived as per the instructions contained in Department of Personnel & Training`s O.M. No.14/15/93-Welfare dated 10.02.2000.

(b)&(c) No, Sir. The total cost of procurement of computers alongwith accessories as per configuration procured were at rates lower than if those were to be procured through DGS&D/Open market.

(d) The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways came into existence on 17.11.2000 only. Details of model with configuration/accessories purchased from the budget of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways since its formation are annexed.

(e) All the relevant provisions of rules/regulations are being followed.

Year of the Purchase	Computer Model & Configuration	Quantity	Prize per unit
2001-2002	HP Vectra VL-420 Pentium IV Processor 1.5GHz, 128 Ram/20FB Hard Disk Drive/48xCD-Rom/10/100 Lan Integrated/Window 2000 recovery CD/Norton Antivirus Software Preloaded/15` colour Monitor/3 years warranty, MS Office XP Professional, 1KVA UPS, HPLaserjet-1000 printer, in a Mini tower design.	168	108811/-
2002-2003	Accer 7100 Pentium P IV processor 1.7 GHz, 128 Ram/20FB Hard Disk Drive/48xCD Rom/10/100 Lan Integrated/Window 2000 recovery CD/Norton Antivirus Software Preloaded/15` colour Monitor/3 years warranty, MS Office XP Professional, 1KVA UPS, HPLaserjet-1000 printer, in a Mini tower design.	03	102700/-